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FYI. Here's a summary of Mike Wireman's conversation with Abraham Lustgarten.

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First -I made clear that I did not represent the EPA UIC program nor am I involved in any decisions regarding Pavillion and Christensen Ranch and that I am not qualified to discuss legal or programmatic issues regarding these sites. I was speaking as a hydrogeologist with a lot of experience.

Our discussions focused on the hydrogeology and geochemistry of sub-surface waste disposal and were not specific to any pending decisions or permits. Questions involved the nature and potential for migration of waste, the usability of "deep" USDWs, the types of monitoring that might be useful, the state of knowledge about hydrogeology of deep formations and questions about ground water flow in the vicinity of in-situ uranium mining.

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